Allocation of Fertilizers to Andhra Pradesh

3117. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of fertilizers allocated to Andhra Pradesh by the Central Government for the current rabi crop season;

(b) whether the quantity is sufficient to meet the requirement of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to supply more fertilizers to Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM) : (a) to (d) The table below gives the position of allocation, availability and sales of fertilizers in Andhra Pradesh during Rabi, 1992-93 season :

(Lakh tonnes)

Product	ECA allocation	Availability upto 28-2-93	Sales upto 28-2-93
Urea	10.42	8.89	8.13
Ammonium Sulphate . . .	0.93	0.67	0.64
Calcium Ammonium Nitrate	0.66	0.59	0.56
Ammonium Chloride . . .	0.06	0.08	0.07

Allocation of phosphatic and potassic fertilizers has been discontinued from 25-8-1992 as these fertilizers have been decontrolled.

Further quantities of urea, Ammonium Sulphate and Calcium Ammonium Nitrate are being moved to Andhra Pradesh against allocations.

To be answered on the 19th March, 1993

Development of Oil Palm

3118. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any schemes are under implementation for the development of oil Palm during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Several schemes have been sanctioned in the identified States as advance action for the development of oil palm during Eighth Plan. These include oilpalm seed gardens, nurseries, distribution of seedlings for Area Expansion Programme, demonstration processing units, seed germinator, a comprehensive training programme and oilpalm demonstration projects.

80,000 ha. are proposed to be brought under oilpalm cultivation in the identified States during Eighth Plan (Andhra Pradesh : 50,000 ha., Karnataka : 20,000 ha. and other States : 10,000 ha.).

National Seeds Project Phase II

3119. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether World Bank assisted National Seeds Project, Phase-II was launched in March, 1990; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this regard till date ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : No, Sir. However, the